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RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed April 25, 2003, Applicants hereby elect without traverse to prosecute Group II (Claims 15-31), which the Examiner defined as claims "drawn to Semiconductor Device (i.e., a two-dimensional array of Lead-Salt detector elements on monolithically formed on an IC). Claims 1-14 are withdrawn from the above-identified patent application without prejudice or disclaimer.

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